MICHAEL COLLINS, LEADER OF IRISH ARMY, REPORTED KILLED IN ACTION

THE WEATHER:

Rain tonight and Tuesday; warmer tonight. Colder Tuesday night. Lowest temperature tonight above freezing. Moderate southeast and south winds. Temperature at 8 a. m., 31 degrees.

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THREE CENTS EVERYWHERE

HOUSTON INSISTS U. S. LOAN ALLIES \$79,000,000

CHIEF OF SINN FEINERS SLAIN

Michael Collins Killed While Di recting Attack on British At Burgatia.

Troops Disperse County Cork Gathering.

LONDON, Feb. 7 .- Michael Collins, of the Sinn Fein army, was killed Thursday while directing an attack upon crown forces at Burgatia, uccording to a Central News disputch from Dublin, which quoted British police officials as authority for the

DUBLIN, Feb. 7 .- One man was killed and two were wounded when British soldiers turned machine guns on a crowd at Knocknagree, County of Cork, today.

When a lorry filled with soldiers entered the town, a crowd of men was encountered. The soldiers cried to the men to halt, but instead they took to their heels. The troops then opened fire with their machine guns. POLICE ESCAPE AMBUSCADE.

A police detachment was ambushed at Ballymen, but escaped without

A bomb attack upon the police, in which three constables were wounded, one fatally, was reported from County Down today. The attack was made at their next conference in the constability of the men was a member of the rayal Irish constability; the other typ were Ulster specials died a few hours later.

The British military authorities at their next conference in allies at their next conference in the constability of the are losing hope in the ability of the are losing hope in the ability of the are losing hope in the ability of the consuming public.

The British military authorities at Austria will be taken over lock, stock.

Sometimes ignorable to consumers in the proposals are adopted.

Austria will be considered by the consumers in the proposal in the consumers in the consuming public. British military authorities a Queenstown have seized a number of hostages as a guarantee against am-

SHERIFF DROPS DEAD.

While hurrying home to avoid the military curtew, Alderman McWalter, sheriff for Dublin, dropped dead in the street here early today. The body of an unknown man, who had been shot to death, was found in the mountains in Dublin county. He was dressed in civilian clothing, but nearby were charred remains of a military uniform that had been It is believed that he was a secret service agent.

LONDON, Feb. 7 .- Awards of \$1,-00,000 for damage done by the crown forces in County Clare, Ireland, have been made by County Judge Bodkin. of the county court, said a dispatch from Dublin today.

Judge Bodkin has notified Sir Hamar Greenwood, chief secretary for Ireland, in writing that he heard 139 cases in which it was proved that criminal injuries had been inflicted by the crown forces in County Clare.

NEW PLAN TO BE TRIED. QUEENSTOWN, Ireland, Feb. 7 .-Drastic steps to curb ambuscades in

this district were taken by the British military officials today. Under the plan, hitherto untried in other parts of Ireland, designated residents of areas in which attacks occur will be held responsible for these attacks and required to furnish necessary information regarding them on a lottery

The new system was inaugurated following a listing of all males between 16 and 40 years at a round-up after the services in the cathedral (Continued on Page 2, Column 2.)

Daniels Agrees To Dodge Bombs

Navy Secretary Says He's Unafraid of Mitchell Kind.

"If General Mitchell can't throw bombs any better than he can throw logic I would be willing to get on a battleship and let him shoot bombs at me all day long." Secretary of the Navy Daniels said today in commenting on the pro-posal made by General Mitchell of the Army Air Service, that the navy furnish some vessels to det rmine the possibility of their being put out of commission by aircraft. Secretary Daniels said that there seems to be an impression that he does not favor development of aircraft. This, he said, is erroneous and he pointed out that the navy has made rapid development in air-

I do not favor doing away with a proved weapon for an unproved one, though." the Secretary aid, commenting on proposals that the construction of capital ships should be limited and aircraft developed

LONDON, Feb. 7.—"There is every reason to believe that the Germans will accept the invitation to participate in the in-demitiy conference in London, it was stated at the foreign of-

Official announcement was made that the conference will open on March 1, instead of February 28, the date originally

One Killed, Two Wounded as ALLIES AM

Commission to Control Finances, Fix Taxes, Cut Army-U. S. To Participate.

By LUCIEN JONES,

VIENNA, Feb. 7.-Austria may me virtually an allied dependency if the proposals of the interallied mission, which has been investigating Austria's internal conditions, are approved by the Austrian and allied governments, according to the newspaper Mittag high Post today.

PROPOSALS PENDING. This newspaper published what

purports to be the text of the pro-

and barrel," said the Mittag Post. CONDITIONS STATED.

The main conditions of the inter-1-Austria will be placed under

concerns which are expected to fur hibiting under penalties all nish credits will have representation chases of surplus, supplies by off a by the Austrian government will have years from their discharge, except-

3-The administration of taxes will commissaries or retail stores. be fixed by the commission, which will also fix the size of customs duties and the amounts of postal, telephone, telegraph, railway, and postage rates DRASTIC CUT FOR ARMY.

4-The Austrian military forces will be reduced to a minimum, but the po- law be enacted requiring the same to particularly clumsy, and the police clares it favors the minimum weekly lice force will be increased by 10.- be done; and that for economy and should have little if any difficulty in wage of \$16.50 set for employes of lice force will be increased by 10 .- be done; and that for economy and 000. The size of the Austrian army efficiency the harness and saddles will be determined by the size of the used by the United States army b forces placed at the disposal of the standardized into one or two general commission by countries represented types, with interchangeable parts. upon it and also by the number of neutral troops put at the disposal of the commission. Each country will bear the cost of the troops it sends into Austria.

5-Austria will not be permitted to pawn any state treasures, jewels, or the commission,

LOVES POOR ARTIST

and Lady Ribblesdale have learned with surprise an apparently well-founded report that Muriel Astor has lost her heart to a poor English artist. Her stepfather, Lord Ribblesdale, has forbidden the marriage. He de clares he will not consent to her marrying any man who is not able to sup-

Although Muriel is heiress to many of the Astor millions, her marriage to her poor artist seems doubtful, as her mother is taking a neutral position. This is said to be partly because the former Mrs. Astor brought her mil-The identity of the suitor is still a mystery so far as the public is con-United States for some years, Muriel declares she will remain true to her love. Muriel is the daughter of the late

John Jacob and a sister of Vincent Astor. She recently made her bow to London society.

It was reported at one time that the Duchess of Marlborough and Lady Ribblesdale were extremely anxious to have her wed the duchess' eldes son, the Marquis of Blandford. heir to the Mariborough dukedom however, married the lovely Alexandra Mary Cadogan. Later Muriel was reported as desperately in love with a young American naval officer.

House Committee Demands Prosecutions of U. S. Officials In Army Surplus Sales.

Demanding that the Department of Justice take steps to prosecute some "What are you doing in wartime officials of the Government apartment," demand West. a bitterly critical report.

MONOPOLY FOUND. Summarizing its conclusions, the

majority of the committee finds: 1-The purchase of leather and leather equipment and the fixing of largely controlled by the leather tansentatives.

2-The amounts of leather and excessive and far beyond the reasonable needs of the Government. 3-The prices paid for such sup-plies were exorbitant and unneces-

4-The shortage of leather and high prices paid by the consumers in 1918 and 1919 were largely caused by the large purchases of leather and high prices paid by the War Depart-

they have had to deal with while in lead to great abuses. Besides recommending that complete supervision by an inter-Al- Department of Justice act in the lied financial control commission, hav- matter, either as to criminal proseing representatives from Great Bri- cutions or for the recovery of dam-tain, the United States, France, and ages, the committe also recommend-In addition, large financial ed that Congress enact a law pro-

> ces or enlisted men of the arm ing such purchases as are made in WANT SURPLUS MARKETED. It also recommends that the War Department make a declaration of all surplus materials and place the same so within a reasonable time, that a

WITH MINE EXPLOSIVE

GRANVILLE, Pa., Feb. 7.-Lighting works of art without permission from the fuse attached to a stick of tonobel, an explosive many times more 6-The states which seceded from powerful than dynamite and used in Austria will be asked to participate mine blasting, Joseph Youell, aged in the scheme for Austrian rehabili- sixty-five, an English miner, walked from the door of his home with it in his overcoat pocket. He had gone a few feet only when he was blown

only bits of the man's body could b

A Story of Misfortune

The average person is honest, so these people have a better chance of recovering their property if these ads are read. Can you help? Pass the

BRIEF CASE—Black leather, in Huy-ler's (at Keith's), Feb. 5, Reward for return of contents. DOG-Fox terrier, white, with black WALLET Black leather, Saturday night, containing about \$76. Liberal BAG Child's blue silk, bet. 7th and 9th sts. and N. Y. ave., Saturday. Reward.

PIN Tuesday, Jan. 25, in a woman's furnishing store on G st.; a small gold crescent pin set with seed pearls valued for its association. Reward if re-Wil. the party who found Vim make bicycle return same to avoid trouble. No questions. Reward.

For Identity of these and other simi-lar ads, consult the "Lost and Found" Columns, Want Ad. Section, today's Washington Times.

Alleged Thief Caught After Vicious Battle In Corridor of Hotel What they believe was a carefully laid plan to rob their

apartment in the fashionable Hadleigh apartments, Sixteenth and V streets northwest, was frustrated last night shortly before 9 o'clock by the unexpected return of J. H. West and his wife, who occupy apartment No. 426.
The Wests had just stepped out of

apartment.

"I guess I got in the wrong apartfor alleged irregularities in the pur-ment," he remarked and started to chase of leather harness for the walk away when West grabbed him. army and for the sale of surplus the two, while Mrs. West frantically stocks since the armistice, the beat on the doors of other apart-Graham House committee investigat- ments in an effort to bring help to ing war expenditures today issued her husband. Despite the noise made by the two men struggling appeared. West proved to be the more powerful man, however,

> and soon subdued the intruder. BEGS FOR RELEASE.

over to the police, but let's go up corkscrew and a "jimmy." Loughran in my apartment on the next floor During the struggle, according to Mrs. West, two other men ran out says she recognized as a former resileather equipment purchased were dent of the Hadleigh with whom she and her husband were intimately acquainted.

> The man captured by West gave his name to the police as Paul James McClellan and his residence as Cleveland, Ohio. The police later arrested James Anthony Loughran, who gave his resi-

dence at the Burlington Hotel and who said he was a lawyer of this According to West and his wife, Loughran and his wife formerly re-sided at the Hadleigh, and the couple

were intimately acquainted with the Weste and had often visited each other in their apariments. MONEY IS OVERLOOOKED. West is the proprietor of a large

basement of the Hadleigh. He is of the banks were closed after West had been arrested. shut his store for the night. Although the apartment was ransacked, the intruders overlooked a

box of money kept by Mrs. West in clothes closet. "This was my pin money," smiled 2-Every penny spent and received navy, and marine corps within two Mrs. West, "but they overlooked it. They did take a gold watch and some

other little trinkets, however. Entrance was gained into the apartment by the "ji.nmying" of a small panel door, the size of a medicine closet, leading from the outside hall of the apartment into the kitchen. Although the plan to rob the apart-ment may have been carefully worked out, the work of the intruders was identifying the robbers as a result of

the elevator when they noticed a prints left on the white woodwork in young man coming out of their the kitchen of the apartment.

After crawling through the panel. which is just large enough to man squeeze through, the intruders landed on a newly painted white cup-

> Both Mr. and Mrs. West were posi-Loughran as he ran out of the apart-ment, as a result of which Loughran fore midnight at the Burlington

board, which carries clear imprints of

cinct, McClellen had \$11 in bills, a

lice headquarters, they were returned to the Eighth Precinct. No charge has, as yet, been placed against them, but they are "being held for investigation." "There is no question in my mind but what it was a carefully laid plot

West, "They knew that Saturday's money taken in at the store could not be put in the bank and they thought they would find it in our apartment. But they got fooled." According to the manager of the Hadleigh, McClellen engaged a room there Saturday night, which was on the floor above the West apartment. these Saturday night, which was on the floor above the West apartment. It was thought that the West apartment was watched all day Sunday by many of them. It was safe that and when the Wests went out for a walk that the apartment was broken into with the hope of finding the money taken in Saturday at the store.

PRAISED BY MANAGER. buy surplus supplies which the opinion that the intruders knew third man who ran out of the apart-

> "It was a great piece of work," today declared Mrs. M. Fritz, manager of the Hadleigh. "Although there were hundreds of people in the dining room at the time, and the orchestra playing, not a soul knew that anything had happened when Mr. West brought the man into my office, where we telephoned for the West deserves a lot of credit.

O. K.'s Minimum Wage.

The National Consumers League, in statement issued here today, dehospitals, hotels, and apartments numerous finger prints and show Washington.

Girl Awaits Message From Man Who Died To Test Spiritualism DETROIT. Feb. 7.—Believed to have entered into

pact that, if successful, would answer the great problem The explosion was so violent that of existence after the grave, Prof. Thomas Lynn Bradford several months, was the topic of an gave his last remaining possession—his life. His body was found in his room, at

2500 Howard street, last midnight, the living to write him. The adverevidently had dropped from his hand were found several typewritten pages on "Can the Dead Communicate With the Living?" Somewhere in Detroit is a girl who

s anxiously waiting for him to prove "I will return to earth," Bradford said to the girl. "You will hear from of these minds must shake off its March 15 to perfect a program "I will receive and give your message to a doubting world," the girl

Professor Bradford, who was about forty-eight years old, was a graduate of the Columbia College of Oratory, Chicago. He was a dramatic and humorous reciter and impersonator. It is said he had read much on science and spiritualism

TWO BROTHERS DOCTORS. He told Patrick P. Marcotte, in whose house he roomed, that he was born in Detroit and had seven brothers, two of them physicians. father had been a farmer. Friends say the occult occupied his mind, taking precedence over other

affairs of more material moment.
"When I die my body goes to sci-Bradford recently inserted an ad- world "the dead do not die.

on the subject. WAY TO SOLVE MYSTERY.

It was in some such conversation as that Bradford, it is thought, decided that there was only one way to earthly mantle. Bradword went to bed early Friday

night, asking Marcotte, if any one should call to tell the person he (Bradford) would not return until a late hour. Marcotte did not see Bradford all Saturday. Finally, late at night, the landlady went up to the room. Gas was pouring from under the

Marcotte pushed the door and found it open. Entering, he discovered his "Bradford would often put on a frock coat and impersonate Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," said Marcotte. It is said Bradford was negotiating for the publication of a book on spiritualism

which he had written.
Bradford had but 5 cents in his pockets-his worldly all. But that was ence. It is to be sent to the Michigan purely materialistic and concerned Medical Institute. Anyhow, my body Bradford not at all. His mind was does not amount to much." Bradford concentrated on that one tremendous said to Marcotte recently. problem-he would prove to a skeptic vertisement in a Detroit newspaper Bradford's last act was to will his asking anyone who was interested in body to the Michigan Medical Institute subject of dead communing with tute for the benefit of science,

Legion to Ignore Popular Welfare Until Disabled Men Get "Square Deal."

Proper care for disabled soldiers omes before the bonus. This is the sentiment today at the first session of the na-tional executive committee of the

fingers and shoes, which should help American Legion, which began a the police in proving who the robbers three-day session at the Washington Hotel. RELIEF FOR 22,000.

The big fight of the legion for the present will be for good and careful attention to be given the wounded exsoldiers, and to this end every member of Congress will be approach ed in the next few days by officers of the legion to see what steps can be taken immediately by Congress to obtain relief for the more than 22,00 men who are in Government hospi-

One of the chief aims of the pla of the government which have in charge the care of disabled veterans: the War Risk Insurance Bureau, the Public Health Service and the Federal Soard for Vocational Training.

According to statistics in the hands of the Legion, about 1,900 men are being admitted every month to the government hospitals for treatment of diseases due to the war. The have been gassed in France, and also a large number of cases of a mental character are being received every month. It is said that the mental

WRONG ENVIRONMENT. Government statistics, about 12.000 that his receipts for Saturday and ment, but they saw enough of him to men who are under the medical care Saturday night, amounting to hun- give the police a good description of of the Government are placed in the dreds of dollars, would probably be him. A general alarm was immed-kept in the apartment, inasmuch as jately sent out, but he has not as yet shock are placed in the same institutions and many times in the same wards with criminally insane, drug addicts and degenerates. This con-

> speedy recovery of the soldier patient, t was pointed out.
> While the legion will make its first and strongest plea for the disabled veterans, it was said that there is no receeding from the position it has taken on the bonus question. Many of the discharged soldiers are out of work, it was said, and there is more need of the bonus at this time than at any other time since the agitation

dition does not make for a happy or

The proposal of the Knights of Columbus to erect in Washington a me morial to the soldiers of the world will be considered at the sessions, but nothing will be given out in advance of the actual decision which the officers will make. No intimation was given out as to the probable action, several delegates being approached, expressing a senti-ment one way or the other, but always qualifying it with the assertion that it was their individual opinion and did not bind the organization in

DISCUSS CITIZENSHIP.

Most of the morning's session was taken up with a discussion of Americanization work. National Commander F. W. Galbraith, jr., whose plan for co-ordination of the work along these lines by the several organizations has been studied very closely for the last address by Henry J. Ryan, of Boston who has been delegated by the commander to map out a plan of enlist-ing the aid of the different organizations in one big effort. Mr. Ryan explained the method which it is planned to follow of al

lotting some part of the work to each organization in order that there may be no overlapping or contradiction in the work. He said that a conven-tion of the twenty organizations which are now doing Americanization work will be held in Washington on

IF DAWES WILL CUSS THEY'LL PAY \$100 TO HEAR HIM

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Brigadier General Charles G. Dawes, whose sulphuric remarks last week startled the congressional committee investigating the army, has before him today the offer of 1,000 Hammond (Ind.), businessmen men to pay \$10 to \$100 for soup and crackers at a Hoo-"invisible" guest dinner Thurs night if the general will make an address interspersed with cuss

Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis high commissioner of baseball, also has been invited to speak.

LISLE BANKS CARRY **3 BILLIONS IN CASH**

hidden away in stockings, safe deposit boxes, and other secret

congress was so informed to-day by Comptroller of the Cur-rency Williams. Comptroller Williams said that of the total of \$5,380,000,000 in

circulation in the United States currency amounting to \$3,344,-000,000 is stuck away in the favorite hiding places of the owners.
The proportion held in

vaults of national banks is \$450,-000,000. Banks under State 000,000. supervision have \$626,000000.
Federal reserve banks have \$960,000,000. The latter amount is exclusive of the \$1,000,000,000 of gold pledged as reserve against Federal reserve notes.

Nation Is Better Off Now Than In Years, Comptroller Williams Reports.

> By W. H. ATKINS, International News Service,

The nation today is upon ounder basis, financially and ically, than it has been for many years, and will enter upon an era of healthy progress when prices of commodities are further stabil-Comptroller of the Currency

PROFITEERS ASSAILED. Comptroller Williams said Congress there is airpent need in the readjust-ment period to stamp out profiteers in money and commodities.

situation is growing more secure Williams recommended that Congress ments that will improve the banking system and increase the security of bank depositors. Among the main recommendation for new legislation made by Williams

is one to enable solvent banks to

meet runs, or other sudden emerg-

encies by the use, with Federal Re-

serve banks, of good securities that He also urges Congress to enact s bank guaranty law, by which all de-posit balances of \$5,000 and less complete any financial agreement I

such a law, he said, would be to bring hundreds of millions of dollars out of iding into productive use.

N. Y. BANKS CRITICISED. Again flaying certain New York with exacting exorbitant rates of in terest on short time loans, Comptrol Williams asked that an amendment be enacted to the national bank charging more than a fair and reasonable advance over the rate paid he reserve banks.

Congress was informed that tight-ness of money in the agricultural and (Continued on Page 2, Column 3.)

PRINCESS GIVES UP

Love Is Fast Democratizing German Nobility, Recent Weddings Show.

emocratizing Germany's high nobil-

Following the preference of Priness Joachim of her chauffeur to the Kaiser's son, resulting in the latter's Kaiser's son, resulting in the latter's sensational suicide some months ago, and of Princess August Wilhelm for oppose other planks of the imperala man with the plain name of Mayer, causing another Kaiser's son to divorce his wife, another sensation was created in Berlin high society today when the Princess Charlotte of Reuss became the plain Frau Robert

What has added to the stir over the fact that the Princess gave up a title widow aged fifty-four years old, and that her husband of democratic name and rank is only twenty-eight. She has two sons, both princes, who made good records during the war and both of whom are almost as old

The disparity of the ages of the ple possibly may be explained tly by the fact that the Princess, w Fran Schmidt, is very wealthy. "German women, especially those of the former court circles, have gone completely crazy," remarked a former

Secretary of Treasury Tells Senate Abrogation of Pledges Would Be Unfortunate.

ISSUE LEFT FOR HARDING

Officials Will Put Further European Financing Up to New Administration.

"It would be very unfortunate" if to keep its outstanding financial obligations to certain European governments, Secretary of the Treasury Houston declared today when he appeared before the Senate Judiciar;

Houston said it is possible that the Treasury Department will make fur ther payments on commitments al ready made with or credits alread extended to these foreigh govern ments, which he designated a France, Italy, Czecho-Slovakia, Liberia, and Greece.

the amount of money the United States Government was at present "under obligations" to furnish these foreign governments. DIFFERENCES ARISE.

Houston estimated at \$79,000,000

The Secretary appeared today with Nicholas Kelley, Assistant Secretary of the Treausry, when the committee resumed consideration of the bill sponsored by Senator Reed, Democrat, of Missouri, to prohibit further loans or credit to any foreign to tions, or the payment of another penny to them from the United Small

Differences of opinion arose again among the committee members as to whether the Senate Judiciary Com-

LEAVES IT TO HARDING. Houston reiterated it was not his ntention to enter into any new los redits or other committments with successor—the Republican s of the Treasury of the Harding Ad ministration—the responsibility of dealing further with the grave prolems involved in billions United States by Great Britain France and other European nations. "I am taking this position," Houston explained, "first, because might attempt to make now with foreign government: secondly, b cause there is no indication that any representative of a foreign government which is indebted to us finan ially can reach Washington within the next week or ten days.

"It is therefore obvious that it is too late, in view of my retirement from office soon, for me to do anything further in the matter."
Houston said he had explained fully act, providing that member banks his position in the letter written by borrowing from Federal Reserve him to Senator Lodge, Republican, of banks shall be prohibited from Massachusetts, read in the Senate

"It would be inadvisable under the circumstances for me to do anything further." Houston added.

ampaign in the Union of South Africa, with African secession from the British empire as the leading issue, has reached fever heat, and the whole country is in a whirlwind of excitement, said advices from Cape BERLIN. Feb. 7.—Love is rapidly The balloting will take place to-

Followers of General Smute, leader of the imperialists (anti-secession ists) claim that labor will support the imperailists on home issues, notably ists' platform.
Secession from the British empire

led by General Herzog, who wants South Africa converted into an independent republic Labor leaders declare that, whether South Africa remains in the British empire or not, they will make "class war" a live issue in

SPOONING AND PINKEYE

and pinkeye" are prevalent in adjoin-ing boroughs of Homeville, Lincoln to a report filed by several resident physicians of these suburbs today. The disease has become epidem high court official in commenting to-day on this new leveling of ranks by Cupid.

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 7 .- "Spooning